

SATURDAY, JUNE 25. 1743.



Have formerly given my Readers a short Collection of whimsical Epitaphs. I have been soliciting a Friend of mine to furnish me with a second Extract from a large Collection of his, from whence some of the former were taken. Among these, one of the First I have met with is that of Charles V. by Monk of the Cloyster where he died.

*Hic jacet intus
Carolus Quintus;
Dic Pater noster
Pro illo bis aut ter.*

If there be nothing remarkable in this but the Folly, Wit of the following Verses will make some Amends for it. They were written by a French Poet on a Patron who had treated him ill, and therefore the Bard sought himself at Liberty to employ his Satyr against the Memory of one who had no Regard to his Panegyrics.

*Cy-deffous git un grand Seigneur,
Qui de son vivant nous apprit,
Qu'un homme peut vivre sans cœur,
Et mourir sans rendre l'esprit.*

*A Lord there lies beneath this Stone,
Whose Actions made these Wonders known;
That Man may live without a Heart,
May die, and yet no Soul depart.*

In the Church dedicated to St. Proculus at Bologna, there is a very whimsical Epitaph, of which we meet with two Interpretations; the First is that commonly given by the People who shew the Church, which is this: That one Proculus, a very studious Man, was kill'd by the Fall of the Bell out of this Steeple. The other we owe to Mr. Milson, the famous Traveller, who says, that the Proculus buried here was a very learned and studious Man, who lived in the Neighbourhood, and who rose constantly at Three in the Morning, when the first Bell rang, which hard Study prov'd fatal to him at the End; and that this points out to us the true Sense of the Epitaph.

*Si procul a Proculo Proculi campana fuisset,
Jam procul a Proculo Proculus ipse foret.*

In a Collection of odd Epitaphs that are to be found in the City of Paris, I have met with that which follows, and is said to have been inscribed with Charcoal on an Alabaster Tomb-stone of the Widow of a Judge; who, tho' she was but Twenty-three, and had a vast Estate left her, died within three Months after, him of pure Grief for the Loss of so good a Husband.

*Ici git le corps d'une belle,
Quel amour d'un mari réduisit autrepas;
Ce qui doit étonner c'est de voir en ce cas
La premiere mode nouvelle,
Qui le beau sexe n'aime pas.*

*Reader, here lies a virtuous Fair,
By a Disease that's wondrous rare;
Her Husband died, and she still griev'd,
Till kindly Death her Woes reliev'd.
The only Mode [you'll own it true]
Not follow'd, tho' tis strange and new.*

There is another Epitaph in the same Collection, which tho' applied to one, might serve many; and I very much question whether a more Catholick Inscription was ever invented, since it suits all Ages, Nations, and Languages, and will be Truth and good Sense always, and every where.

*Hic jacet Hugo Senex, sed qui prius inde recessit.
Quam scisset, cur hoc esset, in orbe natus.
Old Hugh is plac'd beneath this Stone,
Of whom the Case is clear,
He knew not when Death cry'd, Be gone,
For what End he came here.*

I will conclude this short List with one that has more in it of Salt, than Solidity; of Mirth, perhaps, than of Truth.

*Uxor, io! jacet hic: utriusque est meta laborum.
Illi non major, quam mihi, parva quies.
Here, Heav'n be prais'd, my Wife doth lie,
At Rest She is, and so am I.*

I R E L A N D.

Dublin, June 18. Last Wednesday came on the Trial between Hugh Massey and Oliver Crofton, Esqrs, Whether the Appeal brought against Mr. Crofton by Mr. Massey, for the Killing of John Massey, Esq; could lie; on which Judgment was given against the Appellant, and accordingly his Appeal was dismissed.

Arthur Jones Nevill, Esq; succeeds Arthur Dobbs, Esq; who hath resign'd, as Chief Engineer and Surveyor-General of Ireland; and Mr. John McGill, Deputy to Mr. Dobbs, hath resign'd his Deputation.

H O M E P O R T S.

Dublin, June 18. Arrived the Benn and Betty, Rankin, from Rotterdam; and the St. John Baptist, Queiby, from Bourdeaux.

Falmouth, June 20. Wind W. Sailed the Two Sisters, Wills, for Gibraltar. Remains the Expedition Packet, Clies, for Lisbon.

Weymouth, June 22. Wind E. S. E. Arrived the Charming Molly, Tyzard, the Thomas and Sarah, Bishop, the William and Catherine, Pond, and the Ann, Bishop, all from London; the Pretty Betty, White, the Mary, Elliot, and the Sweet Peggy, Arbuthnot, all from Newcastle; and the William and Mary, Thomas, from Milford. Sailed the Adventure, Tivito, the William and Mary, Best, the John and Elizabeth, Keat, the Success, Peirce, and the Pearl, Taylor, all for London.

Pool, June 22. Sailed the Endeavour, Henning, and the Falcon, King, both for London. Passed by the Thomas and Sarah, Blanchard, from Carolina for London.

Cowes, June 22. Wind E. Yesterday sailed the Leopard, Hardy, for Boston.

Dover, June 23. Wind N. E. Passed Dover Road, the Francis and Elizabeth, North, and the ———, Cusack, both from Rotterdam, with Palatines for Philadelphia.

Deal, June 23. Wind N. E. Last Night sailed the Ruysen, Dejong, for East-Indies. Remain in the Downs his Majesty's Ships the Dorsetshire and Shrewsbury, Terror Bomb, and Dispatch Tender, with the Ship for Gibraltar.

GraveSEND, June 23. Passed by the Elizabeth, Cole, from Dunkirk; the St. Francis, Derudder, from Ostend; and the Mary, Moore, from Norway.

Arrived

At Jamaica, the Two Sisters, Woodhouse, from Lancaster.

In the River, the Blest, Fowler, from Cork.

L O N D O N.

Copy of a Letter from a Lieutenant on board the Centurion, (one of Commodore Anson's Squadron) to his Brother in London, dated Macao, Decemb. 1, 1743.

Dear Brother,

I take this Opportunity by Capt. Saunders, who goes home in a Swedish Ship a Passenger, to inform you, that there's still a small Remainder of that once glorious Squadron, which would have swept the South Seas, but that the Great God thought otherwise, and dash'd our Designs by Storms and Tempests, which occasion'd Diseases and Separations, insomuch that 'twas with the greatest Mercy, that those few of us which got round Cape-Horne ever reach'd a Place to shelter in. Yet the same God which shew'd us those Perils, assisted us in our greatest Distress, by offering us an Hospitable Island after beating the Seas five Months, with Plenty of Fish, Water, Greens, and some Goats. At our Arrival at this Island, we had buried above half our Ship's Company, and brought in Sick above 150 more. We soon found the Benefit of the Land by our People recovering their Healths; yet many of those put on Shore were too far gone ever to recover. Here we pass'd our Time recovering our Healths, and firing our Ship, in order to do some Matters in those Seas, hoping the rest of our Squadron would drop in by Degrees; but we were deceived. After staying three Months, our Squadron consisted of the Centurion, Gloucester, and Trial Sloop; the two latter having buried more Men in Proportion than we.

On the 3d of September, 1741, as we were all riding at Anchor, at this Island, call'd Juan Fernandes, we saw a Ship at Sea. We immediately got on board our Ship and sail'd after her, but Night rescued her from us. However, at our Return, Providence threw her Comfort in our Way. She was about 400 Tons with 67 Men, worth 18,000 l. Sterling in Dollars, with some wrought Plate, and a rich Cargo. We carried her into our Island, to shew our Friends there, that there were some Pickings up to be had.

The 15th of September, 1741. We dispatched the Trial to cruise off Valperigo, and the Gloucester, as soon as he should get ready, to sail and cruise off Paiza in the Latitude 5 d. 00 m. S. On the 20th We failed to join the Trial off Valperigo, and fell in Company with her the 25th, who had taken a Ship of 500 Tons. The next Day the Commodore ordered the Capt. and Ships Company then belonging to the Trial; to go on board the Prize she had taken and Sink the Trial; for she had carried away both her Masts. We coasted along the Coasts of Chili and Peru, cruising off several principal Ports but met nothing till we came into 10 Degrees of S. Latitude. On the 6th of November, 1741. We took a Ship of 300 Tons, with a good Cargo but little Money. I was ordered to command this Prize.

On the 12th we took another Ship of 150 Tons, a rich Cargo and little Money. She inform'd us, that at Paiza, from whence she just came (a small fortified Town) which was about 20 Leagues off, there was a Ship ready to sail with a good Sum of Money on board. The Commodore ordered the second Lieutenant and myself, with a Marine Officer, and 45 Men, in 3 Boats, to take the Town, and secure the Treasure. We landed on the 13th at 2 in the Morning, and were saluted by the Fort, (which mounted 7 Guns) with 2 Shot. We march'd up to the Fort and attack'd it. After firing one Volley we storm'd it, sword in Hand, which made the Enemy jump over the Walls; by which Means we became Masters of the Port, with the Loss of one Man only kill'd, and 3 wounded. We had Possession for 3 Days; during which Time we were employ'd in sending on board our Ship, Money, Jewels, wrought Plate, and Provisions. Our Plunder here we value at about 35,000 l.

On the 16th we nail'd up their Cannon, and fir'd the Town; burning 2 King's Gallies, 2 Brigantines, and 2 Settees. Here we put all our Prisoners on Shore, and set sail to join the Gloucester, whom we met 2 Days after, having taken 2 Prizes, worth 25,000 l.

We had now alarmed all this Coast of Peru; our Designs were therefore tending to the Coast of Mexico, to catch the Acapulco Ship, which always arrives at Acapulco by the latter End of December or January. We water'd our Ship with as much Dispatch as the Winds and Weather would permit, at the Island of Quibo near Panama; afterwards took a small Bark, and made the best of our Way to intercept the Acapulco Ship. 'Twas the 29th of January, 1741-2. before we arriv'd on the Coast of Mexico; and as our Passage was so long, we feared the Ship had got into the Port; upon which the Commodore order'd me to take a Boat arm'd, and go into the Port of Acapulco in the Night, and discover whether the Ship was arriv'd or not; or to take a Boat so as to gain Intelligence, and at the same time not to be discovered. I went according to Orders, and succeeded; going into the Harbour, I caught a Fishing-boat with 3 Men, and carried them on board without being discovered. These People inform'd us, that the Ship was arriv'd since the 13th of January, 1741-2. and that there was great Dispatch made in order to unload her, for sending her back before we appear'd on the Coast. This Ship is reckon'd to be worth a Million Sterling. The Commodore plac'd his Squadron so advantageously round the Harbour, at 15 Leagues Distance from the Land, keeping two Boats, with a Lieutenant in each, to be 4 Leagues off the Harbour, that 'twas impossible any Thing could go in or out, but we must see them. In this Position we lay till the 20th of April. Our Water being exhausted, and the Time of the Acapulco Ship's Sailing being expired, we concluded they smelt our being on the Watch, by missing those 3 Men which I had taken, tho' I had put their Boat on the Rocks, to make the Case seem plain they were drowned. But in this the Spanish Jealousy foil'd our Cunning.

We water'd our Ships, took as much as we could of the most valuable Part of our Prize Cargo on board, and burnt our Spanish Ships. On the 6th of May, 1742, we proceeded on our Voyage towards the East-Indies, where we met, in this Passage (contrary to every Body else that had gone this Way) foul Winds, which lengthen'd the Voyage, and introduced the Scourvy amongst us to that Degree, that we seem'd to be in a much worse Condition than when we came into the Island of Juan Fernandes. Yet, to add to our Afflictions, a violent Gale came on, which made our Ship very leaky, and so disabled the Gloucester, by carrying away her Masts, and springing a Leak, that we were oblig'd to take the Captain, and Ship's Company out, they not being able to keep the Ship above Water.

Our Men, by this time, died like rotten Sheep, tossing over-board 6, 8, 10, or 12 in a Day; besides having no Prospect of getting into a Friendly Port for Refreshment. However, in this our last Distress, God Almighty preserved us; for, contrary to our Expectations, we saw three Islands that had formerly been inhabited by the Indians, who had left these to inhabit another about 12 Leagues distant. I was ordered in the Boat to look for an anchoring Place, and was met by a Boat with Spaniards on board her, whom I took and carried on board. They discover'd to us that this Island afforded above 10,000 Head of Cattle, with plenty of Hogs, Lemons, and Oranges, which was the only Treasure we then wanted. On the 28th of August, 1742, we anchored at these Islands, in the Latitude of 16 N. and I put all the sick People on Shore, who soon found the Effects of boiled and roast Beef.

We stayed here two Months, in which Time we gather'd some Strength, and on the 27th of October, 1742, we sailed for the Coast of China, which is distant 500 Leagues. We arrived the 10th of November, 1742, at Macao, a Portuguese Settlement at the Mouth of the River Canton.

We are now waiting to know whether the Chinese will assist us with Necessaries to clean our Ship, and stop a Leak, which is very troublesome to us. What the Consequence may be I can't tell; and what will be our next Expedition, I am yet in the Dark.

You'll be desirous to know how my Commodore and I agree. To give you a Character of him would require a more Masterly Pen; but his Favours to me, as well as all the other Officers, are sufficient Proofs of his Inclinations to serve us all. Farewell. I am,
Dear Brother, &c.

Days appointed for holding the Assizes for the following Circuit; viz.

NORFOLK.

Lord Chief Baron Parker,
Mr. Justice Abney.

Buckinghamshire. Monday July 18, at Buckingham. Bedford. Thursday ditto 21, at Bedford. Huntingdon. Saturday ditto 23, at Huntingdon. Cambridge. Monday ditto 25, at the Castle of Cambridge. Suffolk. Wednesday ditto 27, at Bury St. Edmunds. Norfolk. Tuesday August 2, at the Castle of Norwich.

City of Norwich, and County of the same City. The same Day, at the New Hall of the same City.

Wynne, Esq. Brother to Sir Rowland Wynne, Bart. is appointed Captain of a Company in the First Regiment of Foot-Guards, in the Room of Capt. Boscawen, lately promoted.

We hear from Beaumaris, that on the 5th Inst. Captain George Maling, Commander of the Malpas Cruiser, seiz'd near that Port a Vessel with 45 Casks of Brandy and Rum, 124 Pound of Coffee, and 108 Pound of Tea. Capt. Maling had seiz'd one Cargo a few Days before, and caused two other to be thrown over-board. They all came from the Isle of Man.

Last Night two Messengers arrived, who brought a Confirmation of the glorious Victory obtained by his Britannick Majesty's Forces over the French.

We hear that Ten Men will be draughted out of each Company in the Three Regiments of Foot Guards, in order to be sent into Germany.

Last Thursday Night, on Account of the Publick Rejoicings for the Victory obtained over the French, the Mob pull'd down the Rails round Hanover-Square, and made a large Bonfire of them, and broke divers Windows where they had not set out Lights.

The Hon. Mr. Townsend and William Cheselden, Esq. were Yesterday chosen Sheriffs of this City; and Mr. Noone, Citizen and Barber-Surgeon, was chosen an Alderman, in the Room of Mr. John Kirk, deceased.

The same Day Mr. Walker, nominated by the present Lord Mayor for Sheriff, paid the usual Fine, to be excused from serving the said Office.

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